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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DIETRICH, et al.

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For: **ORAL DOSAGE FORM CONTAINING A PDE 4 INHIBITOR AS AN
ACTIVE INGREDIENT AND POLYVINYLPIRROLIDON AS EXCIPIENT**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 2-3 and 6-10, cancel claim 11 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, and add new claims 12-17 as outlined in Appendix A, entitled "Claim Amendments", attached herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please add the Abstract as outlined in Appendix B, attached herewith.

REMARKS

The amendments to the claims do not introduce new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the above amendment before